

Amendment to the Claims

1. (Cancelled)

2. (Currently Amended) A support assembly according to claim [4] 20, further comprising which includes a biasing member which biases the actuator to the rest position.

3. (Currently Amended) A support assembly according to claim [4] 20, wherein the ground-engaging component is a wheel of the vehicle.

4.(Currently Amended) A support assembly according to claim [4] 20, further comprising which includes a stand which is movable from an inoperative position to an operative position, at which the stand provides support for the vehicle, when the column is moved from the travelling position to the storage position.

5-8. (Cancelled)

9. (Currently Amended) A support assembly according to claim [8] 20, wherein the actuator is pivotally movable in the first direction to cause apply a braking force to be applied to the vehicle.

10. (Currently Amended) A support assembly according to claim 9, wherein the

interlock component is moved in unison with the actuator when the actuator is moved in the first direction.

11. (Currently Amended) A support assembly according to claim [5] 20, wherein the locking member is engageable with a second complementary formation on the connecting member thereby to keep the column in the storage position.

12. (Currently Amended) A support assembly according to claim [4] 20, wherein the base section includes a fuel tank.

13. (Currently Amended) A support assembly according to claim 12, wherein the base section has mounted to it a driven wheel of the vehicle.

14. (Currently Amended) A scooter which includes a support assembly according to claim [4] 20.

15. (Currently Amended) A scooter which includes a base section, a driven rear wheel mounted to the base section, a front wheel, a connecting member which connects the front wheel to the base section and which allows the front wheel to be moved between a ground-engaging position and a storage position, a locking member which is engageable with a first formation to retain the front wheel in the ground-engaging position and with a second formation to retain the front wheel in the storage position, an actuator which is pivotally movable from a rest position, in a release direction, to cause the locking member,

when engaged with the first formation, to disengage from the first formation and, when the locking member is engaged with the second formation, to disengage from the second formation, and an interlock component which is pivottally movable, in a first direction which is opposite to the release direction, from between a first position at which the interlock component prevents the locking member from disengaging at least from the first formation, to and a second position at which the locking member is disengageable from the first formation.

16. (Cancelled)

17. (Currently Amended) A scooter according to claim [16] 15, further comprising which includes a biasing member connected between the interlock component and the locking member whereby, when the interlock component is moved in the first direction from the first position towards the second position, the biasing member biases the locking member into closer engagement with at least the first formation.

18. (Currently Amended) A scooter according to claim [16] 15, wherein the interlock component is caused to move in unison with the actuator, when the actuator is moved in the first direction.

19. (Currently Amended) A scooter according to claim 15, wherein the actuator is operable to cause exerts a braking force to be exerted on the rear wheel when the actuator is moved in a direction which is opposite to the release direction.

20. (New) A support assembly for a ground-engaging component of a vehicle which includes a base section, a column which is mounted for movement relative to the base section between a travelling position and a storage position, a locking assembly for holding the column, according to requirement, in the travelling position or in the storage position, the locking assembly including a connecting member which pivotally connects the column to the base section, a locking member which is engageable with a first complementary formation on the connecting member thereby to keep the column in the travelling position, and an interlock component which is pivotally movable in a first direction from a first position, at which the interlock component prevents disengagement of the locking member from the first complementary formation to a second position at which the interlock component allows disengagement of the locking member from the first complementary formation and an actuator, and wherein, when the column is in the travelling position, the actuator is pivotally movable from a rest position along a release path in a second direction which is opposite to the first direction to initiate a release of the locking assembly by causing the locking member to disengage from the first complementary formation and thereby allow the column to be moved from the travelling position to the storage position.

21. A scooter which includes a base section, a driven rear wheel mounted to the base section, a front wheel, a connecting member which connects the front wheel to the base section and which allows the front wheel to be moved between a ground-engaging position and a storage position, a locking member which is engageable with a

first formation to retain the front wheel in the ground-engaging position and with a second formation to retain the front wheel in the storage position, an actuator which is pivotally movable from a rest position, in a release direction, to cause the locking member, when engaged with the first formation, to disengage from the first formation and, when the locking member is engaged with the second formation, to disengage from the second formation, and an interlock component which is movable between a first position at which the interlock component prevents the locking member from disengaging at least from the first formation, and a second position at which the locking member is disengageable from the first formation, and wherein the actuator exerts a braking force on the rear wheel when the actuator is moved in a direction which is opposite to the release direction.